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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated April 22, 2002 to which a reply is due on or before July 22, 2002.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge all fees which may be required during the entire pendency of this application to Deposit Account 05-1068.

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